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Methods For The Degradation And Detoxification Of Organic Material Using Urine

Produced By Transgenic Animals And Related Transgenic Animals And Proteins

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Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents know to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty to disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), before the mailing of the first Office Action on the merits and within three (3) months of the mailing date of the foreign search report.

CONCISE EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Any document listed on the attached PTO-1449 was cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding PCT application. A copy of the International Search Report is attached setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner. The first four documents were previously submitted on June 11, 1999, therefore duplicate copies are not being submitted herewith. English-language counterparts of foreign-language documents have been provided where readily available. The absence of a translation or an English-language counterpart document does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider any submitted document (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP §603).

Applicants respectfully request that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialized copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in communication from foreign patent office in counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to filing this Statement.

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